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Honorable James Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
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RE: Camerina 1 Sand, Reservoir C  
NORTH PARCERDUE FIELD  
Vermilion Parish, Louisiana  
Our File No.: 1523/00001

Dear Mr. Welsh:

Application is hereby filed on behalf of Nexen Petroleum USA, Inc., for the calling of a public hearing, after 10 days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the North Parcerdue Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

1. To grant an exception to Statewide Order 29-E and to permit the applicant to drill, complete and utilize the Nexen Petroleum USA, Inc. - M. Broussard No. 1 well as a substitute unit well for the CAM 1 RC SUA at the location indicated on the attached plat.
2. To find that the proposed substitute unit well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by the unit which cannot be drained by any existing well within such unit.

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3. Except to the extent herein designated, to continue in full force and effect the provisions of the 902-A Series of Office of Conservation Orders and the units created thereby.
4. To consider any other matters which may be pertinent to this application.

The Camerina 1 Sand, Reservoir C, in the North Parcperdue Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 902-A-4, effective June 23, 1981.

The existing bore hole for the M. Broussard No. 1 has been junked and is no longer capable of producing the Camerina 1 Sand in the subject unit.

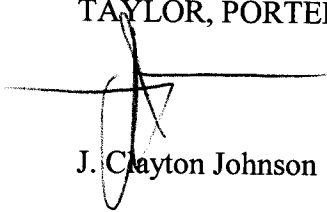
Pertinent data relating to this application can be obtained, at the cost of the requesting party, from W. H. Robbins & Associates, 140 Rue Beauregard, Lafayette, LA.; Phone: 337-232-5004.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat showing the proposed substitute unit well. There is enclosed a list of names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties who are being forwarded these applications and plats. Such list is being forwarded ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, the list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties will be furnished by the undersigned to any party requesting a copy of it. This list includes the names and addresses of all Interested Parties who are known to the applicant, after reasonable search. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is attached hereto a check made out to the Louisiana Office of Conservation in the amount of \$755.00 representing the application fee for this application.

Very truly yours,

TAYLOR, PORTER, BROOKS & PHILLIPS, L.L.P.



J. Clayton Johnson

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Encl.

cc: Lafayette District Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties

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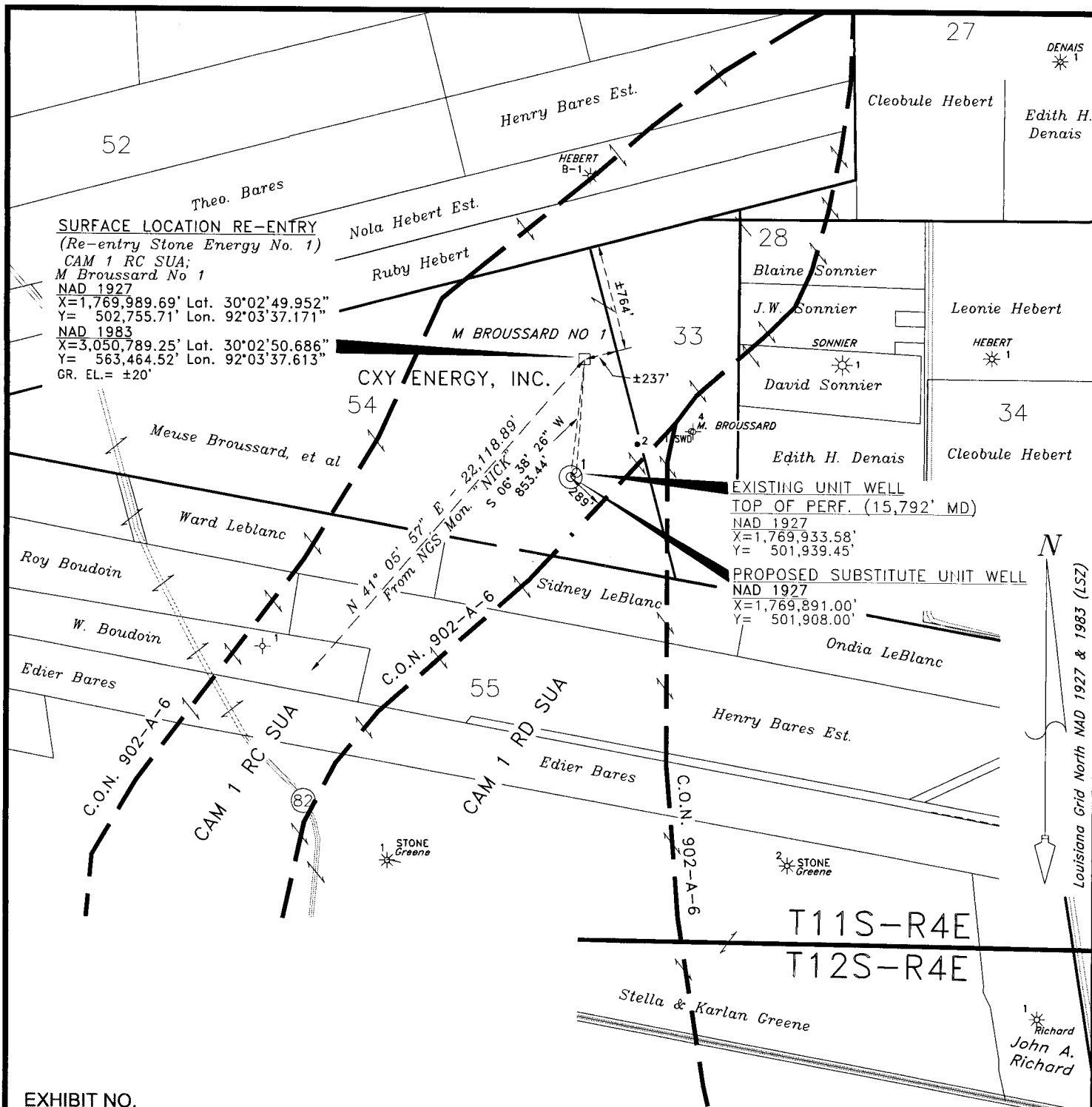


EXHIBIT NO.  
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DATE:

**NEXEN PETROLEUM U.S.A., INC.**

**NORTH PARCERDUE FIELD**  
 VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA

**PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELL**  
**CAM 1 RC SUA**

0 1000' 2000'

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